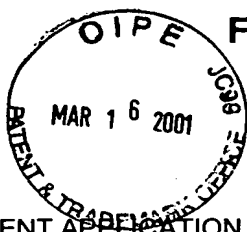


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FILING COMPLETION UNDER RULE 53(f)

( NOT PCT Applications)

For Design, Provisional, or Utility Applications

PATENT APPLICATION

COMPLETION Under Rule 53(f)

In re PATENT APPLICATION of  
Inventor(s): Ernie BRICKELL et al.

Attn: Application Division

Appln. No.: 09 672,495  
Series Code ↑ Serial No. ↑

Atty.Dkt. P 271383 P9316  
M# Client Ref

Filed: September 29, 2000  
Title: SPLITTING KNOWLEDGE OF A PASSWORD

Hon. Commissioner of Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

Date: March 16, 2001

Sir:  
The following completes the filing under Rule 53(f) of the above-identified patent application:

1. **Notice to File Missing Parts** ☒ copy attached ☐ not yet received
2. ☒ Signed Declaration attached. ☐ Original ☒ Facsimile/Copy

(Always "X" box 2 if filling signed Declaration and

"X" box 2A only if top box of the Declaration is X'd and file application copy, or

"X" box 2B only if none of the top three boxes of the Declaration is X'd.)

2A. ☒ Attached: Original signed Declaration with attached specification (including claim(s)) which is a copy of specification and claim(s) originally filed to secure the above filing date.

2B. ☐ The original application as filed in the PTO on the above filing date is the application which each inventor executed by signing the attached Rule 63 Declaration.

3. ☐ Specification originally filed in non-English language; hence verified translation attached of:

a. ☐ Abstract

b. #  pages of Specification (only spec. & claims)

c. ☐ Drawing(s)

☐ Fig(s).

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4. ☐ Letter filing formal drawing attached.

5. ☒ Attached is an assignment and cover sheet. Please return the recorded assignment to the undersigned.

6. **DOMESTIC/INTERNATIONAL** priority is claimed under 35 USC 119(e)/120/365(c) based on the following provisional, nonprovisional and/or PCT international application(s):

Application No.	Filing Date	Application No.	Filing Date
(1)		(2)	
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7. **FOREIGN** priority is claimed under 35 USC 119(a)-(d)/365(b) based on filing in

Application No.	Filing Date	Application No.	Filing Date
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Completion Under Rule 53(b)

9. \_\_\_\_\_ (No.) Certified copy (copies): ☐ attached; ☐ previously filed (date) \_\_\_\_\_  
in U.S. Application No. \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ filed on \_\_\_\_\_
10. Small Entity Status ☐ ☒ is Not claimed ☐ is claimed (file PAT-256 if this is the first claim of Small Entity Status)
11. ☐ Attached:
12. ☐ Preliminary Amendment:

**THE FOLLOWING FILING FEE IS BASED ON CLAIMS AS FILED LESS ANY ABOVE CANCELLED**

				Large/Small Entity		Fee Code
13. Basic Filing Fee . . . . .				Design Application	\$320/\$160	106/26
				Not Design Application	\$710/\$355	101/201
14. Total Effective Claims	28	minus 20 =	8	x \$18/\$9	+144	103/203
15. Independent Claims	7	minus 3 =	4	x \$80/\$40	+320	102/202
16. If any proper multiple dependent claim (ignore improper) is present, (Leave this line blank if this is a reissue application)				\$270/\$135	+0	104/204
17. Surcharge for filing Declaration/filing fee late				\$130/\$65	+130	105/205
18.				FILING FEE ENCLOSED =		\$1304
19. Original due date:				January 16, 2001		
20. Petition is hereby made to extend the original due date to				(1 mo)	\$110/\$55 =	+390
cover the date this response is filed for which the requisite fee				(2mos)	\$390/\$195 =	115/215
is attached				(3mos)	\$890/\$445 =	116/216
				(4mos)	\$1390/\$695 =	117/217
21. If "non-English" box 3 is X'd, add Rule 17(k) processing fee . . . . .				\$130	+0	139
22. If "assignment" box 5 is X'd, add recording fee. . . . .				\$40	+40	581
23. Petition Fee for				\$130	+0	
24.				TOTAL FEE ENCLOSED =		\$1734

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## NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

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*Filing Date Granted*

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The statutory basic filing fee is missing.  
*Applicant must submit \$ 690 to complete the basic filing fee and/or file a small entity statement claiming such status (37 CFR 1.27).*
- Total additional claim fee(s) for this application is \$456.
  - \$144 for 8 total claims over 20.
  - \$312 for 4 independent claims over 3.
- The oath or declaration is missing.  
*A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.*
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- The balance due by applicant is \$ 1276.

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